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VENEER LOG PRODUCTION DECLINES IN LAKE STATES

Surveys just completed by the Lake States Forest Experiment Station show that approximately 89.9 million board feet (Int. 1/4") of veneer logs were received by Lake States mills in 1952. Of this total, 77.8 million board feet were produced locally and 12.1 million feet were imported from other states and other countries. In addition, about 0.4 million feet of Lake States veneer logs were shipped to other states. Local production in 1952 was approximately 10 percent less than in 1950, and 33 percent less than in 1948.

Of the regional total, Michigan produced about 52 percent, Wisconsin 38 percent, and Minnesota 10 percent. A few years ago Michigan produced nearly three-fourths of the regional total.

About 60 percent of the locally produced logs were consumed by plants manufacturing the better grades of veneers. The remaining 40 percent were used by container veneer plants.

In volume used, birch was the leading species in 1952, making up about 30 percent of the receipts. About 9 million feet of one-third of the birch receipts were from Canada. Maple surpassed birch in volume of veneer logs produced within the region.

Imports from Iowa, Illinois, the Dakotas and other neighboring states amounted to 2.2 million board feet, and from Canada about 9.9 million board feet. A small quantity of logs was received from the Phillipines. Lake States logs shipped to Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and other states amounted to only 0.4 million board feet.

Veneer Logs Cut and Imported in the Lake States - 1952

Species and destination	Logs cut by states: Minn.	Wis.	Mich.	Region	Imports: U.S. 1/	Foreign 2/	Total	Total Receipts
	M Bd.Ft. International 1/4" Rule							
White pine								
Minn. mills	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	8
Wis. "	-	49	-	49	-	-	-	49
Mich. "	-	-	181	181	-	28	28	209
Total	8	49	181	238	-	28	28	266
Basswood								
Minn. mills	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wis. "	-	145	-	145	-	-	-	145
Mich. "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	145	-	145	-	-	-	145

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Maple	M Bd.Ft. International 1/4" Rule							
Minn. mills	41	-	-	41	-	-	-	41
Wis. "	790	7,233	6,350	14,373	392	548	940	15,313
Mich. "	-	-	9,278	9,278	-	242	242	9,520
Other " 3/	-	-	109	109	-	-	-	-
Total	831	7,233	15,737	23,801	392	790	1,182	24,874
Birch								
Minn. mills	96	-	-	96	-	-	-	96
Wis. "	83	4,414	6,258	10,755	12	6,705	6,717	17,472
Mich. "	165	255	6,966	7,386	-	2,135	2,135	9,521
Total	344	4,669	13,224	18,237	12	8,840	8,852	27,089
Basswood								
Minn. mills	1,041	-	-	1,041	-	-	-	1,041
Wis. "	1,918	4,068	1,096	7,082	540	25	565	7,647
Mich. "	113	-	2,149	2,262	-	-	-	2,262
Total	3,072	4,068	3,245	10,385	540	25	565	10,950
Elm								
Minn. mills	431	11	-	442	-	-	-	442
Wis. "	540	7,898	571	9,009	257	-	257	9,266
Mich. "	-	-	2,014	2,014	-	23	23	2,037
Other " 3/	-	-	9	9	-	-	-	-
Total	971	7,909	2,594	11,474	257	23	280	11,745
Beech								
Minn. mills	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wis. "	-	16	901	917	-	-	-	917
Mich. "	-	-	2,240	2,240	-	-	-	2,240
Total	-	16	3,141	3,157	-	-	-	3,157
Oak								
Minn. mills	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wis. "	806	2,640	258	3,704	309	106	415	4,119
Mich. "	-	791	438	1,229	-	5	5	1,234
Other " 3/	-	-	134	134	-	-	-	-
Total	806	3,431	830	5,067	309	111	420	5,353
Aspen								
Minn. mills	164	-	-	164	-	-	-	164
Wis. "	493	471	-	964	-	3	3	967
Mich. "	-	-	262	262	-	-	-	262
Total	657	471	262	1,390	-	3	3	1,393
Misc. species								
Minn. mills	72	-	-	72	-	-	-	72
Wis. "	1,196	1,965	341	3,502	6	97	103	3,605
Mich. "	63	-	549	612	650	-	650	1,262
Other " 3/	31	-	115	146	-	-	-	-
Total	1,362	1,965	1,005	4,332	656	97	753	4,939
All species								
Minn. mills	1,853	11	-	1,864	-	-	-	1,864
Wis. "	5,826	28,899	15,775	50,500	1,516	7,484	9,000	59,500
Mich. "	341	1,046	24,077	25,464	650	2,433	3,083	28,547
Other " 3/	31	-	367	398	-	-	-	-
Total	8,051	29,956	40,219	78,226	2,166	9,917	12,083	89,911

1/ Logs from Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, the Dakotas.

2/ Canadian logs except 33 M bd.ft. of Misc. Species from Phillipine Islands.

3/ Logs produced in region and shipped to mills outside Lake States.

Vertical column of figures under box heading "Logs cut by states" represents the volume of veneer logs cut in each state.